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BARBAROUS MASSACRE AT PISCO.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Telegrams from Lima announce that a terrible massacre has taken place at Pisco. Since the cessation of hostilities with Chili numerous bands of Peruvian marauders have been scouring the country, plundering the inhabitants. Several of these bands joined forces, advanced on Pisco, and attacked the town, which the inhabitants did their utmost to defend, without success. After gaining possession of the place, the marauders massacred 1000 of the townpeople, including 300 foreigners.

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The Rev. Charles Strong announced, in Scotch Church this evening, that he had decided to accept the offer of his committee of six months' leave of absence.

The weather is fine.

Uphathera has appeared at Penthouse.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, SATURDAY.

Alfred Harwood, master of a small steamer called the Talmess, has been fined £70 for attempting to convey 31 seafarers from Logan to Cardwell without a passenger licence for his vessel.

Floods continue very high at Thargomindah. Great indignation is felt at the fact of sheep being lost in the township. Graham, late proprietor of Thargomindah, was found dead, lifeless, from his horse, which was also dead, was lying on him.

It is stated that a project is afoot for a third ice company for Brisbane, working the new patent, and giving the retail cost £2 per lb.

A private telegram from the Hodgkinson states that 658 tons from the Tycoomrell Company yielded 754 tons gold.

The Central Board of Health has removed restrictions from steamers arriving here from Sydney.

Crashings at the Palmer gold-field for the month of January of 228 tons of stone yielded 658 tons of gold.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, SATURDAY.

The Treasurer has agreed to sell Savings Banks at par to the value of £280,000, from April 1st. It is intended that the bank shall pay for them at the rate of £40,000 a month, with interest accordingly. The bonds are issued under the Loan Act last session, and as the Treasurer wishes to retain £60,000 as an investment for the Rail Property Assurance Fund, he will go to London for a million.

120 volunteers visited the Carols to-day. The captain and officers will be entertained by the Mayor to-morrow night at a musical fest on Torrens Lake. The Carols end at midnight.

SUNDAY.

The police early this morning arrested five men, including the two principals, who had assembled near the suburb of Underdale for the purpose of a prize fight. The police were in waiting for the party, and after three rounds, surprised them. Some of the men surrendered, while others offered a feeble resistance; one escaped.

Yesterday morning Frederick Wagner, a stonemason, quarrelled with his wife, jumped out of bed and cut her throat with a razor, and then cut his own. Both were taken to the hospital, and are progressing favourably, neither being seriously hurt.

The hospital patients were released from quarantine after 46 days on Saturday. Torrens Island has been proclaimed free from infectious disease.

Richard Jago wrote to the Register in reference to the complaint of the captain of the Gulf of Carpentaria, that the vessel passed Cape Borda on the evening of January 11, and was due at the Semperes next morning at 3. Nothing was seen of her till daylight, when she was at anchor in the caving, and on being prospected was hoisted as soon as possible.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

PERTH, SATURDAY.

Heavy rain has fallen at Upper Murchison.

It is reported that a bottle has been found on the beach south of the Murray River, containing scrapes of paper, with writing in French or German.

All shares remaining uncollected in the Harold Jarrah Timber Co. have been secured by Harold Brothers, of Adelaide. The result is that the scrip has increased in value 10 per cent.

News from the pearlings banks is satisfactory. Wright and Son's schooner Dawn secured 13 tons shell, and Clark and Son's boat got 50 tons.

The weather is highly frosty. The thermometer was 56° in the shade this morning.

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Curve showing state of Barometer.

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